

TCS, IT wiz quiz begins 4 Sept

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BHUBANESWAR, 20 AUG: The capital city is going to host the 2009 edition of TCS IT Wiz, India's largest technological school quiz contest on 4 September.

The event, which had started in 1999 by Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) – the well-known IT services, business solutions and outsourcing firm – strives to enhance IT awareness among students, keeping them abreast of the latest developments in the world of IT.

The winners will walk away with laptops and the runners-up will be rewarded with cameras and digital photo frames. The six finalists will also receive an array of prizes such as backpacks, watches and MP3 players, company sources here said.

The quiz competition is open to school students from Class VIII-XII (including PU students). There is no entry fee. Only the first 500 registered teams will be allowed to participate. Each institution is allowed to send multiple teams (two-members per team) to participate.

The quiz will focus on application of information technology across various sectors such as world of internet and unique web sites, IT buzz-words and acronyms, IT Personalia – internation-

al, national and local, advertisements of IT and communication companies, software products and brands, history of IT as well as the humorous side of IT. The quiz will also cover areas where the IT sector has made an impact such as education, entertainment, books, multimedia, music, movies, internet, banking, advertising, sports, gaming, social networking blogs and cell phones.

TCS IT Wiz was launched in Bangalore last month. The event will also be held in Chennai, Hyderabad, Coimbatore, Delhi, Kochi, Lucknow, Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Pune. This nation-wide competition is expected to reach out to more than two lakh students.

Last year in Bhubaneswar, over 1,200 students took part in the annual event.

